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brought about due to the fact of the difference between a pinion hitch and a ball hitch on all of our horse trailers and such as that that we have and this would clarify the law so that the Motor Vehicles Department as such would be able to distinguish what should be covered under this particular brake section.

SPEAKER: Is there further discussion? If not, are you ready for the question? The--Senator Luedtke.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: Mr. President, would Senator Duis yield to a question?

SENATOR DUIS: Yes.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: This is changing law which we passed in the last session and I want to know, did your explanation mean that horse trailers and that sort of thing will now clearly not come under this law under any circumstance?

SENATOR DUIS: Right, their ball hitch will come under the law as the pinion hitch.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: In other words, they won't have to have those kind of brakes now?

SENATOR DUIS: That's right.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: What was the problem, if you just might tell us, what was the problem that they couldn't qualify under that law that they couldn't do this?

SENATOR DUIS: Well, if you have a pinion hitch you don't need them, if you have a ball hitch you need them and most of them came out with ball hitches on them and didn't have these on to start with. It would necessitate if this was enacted and enforced to the last letter of the law they'd have to redo all of these trailers all over the State of Nebraska.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: So they, did not want to force that upon the public?

SENATOR DUIS: This is the feeling that we had, yes. You'd have to do one of two things, either cut the ball hitch off and put a pinion hitch on or do the opposite, either way. So we took this out.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: All right, I'm satisfied.

SPEAKER: Is there further discussion? Are you ready for the question? The question is, shall the bill be advanced? All those in favor vote aye, those opposed vote no. Clerk will record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, no nays, 20 not voting.

SPEAKER: Bill is advanced. Next bill is LB 522 by Senator Kremer's Public Works Committee.

CLERK: Mr. President, that was advanced this morning.

SPEAKER: Sorry about that, that has already been advanced. Blame that on my assistant. Next bill is LB 506 by Senator Waldron's Miscellaneous Subjects Committee.

CLERK: Reads title. There are committee amendments. Reads.

SPEAKER: Senator Waldron.